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SUBJ: MEETING WITH FONMIN CAGLAYANGIL

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1. I MET WITH FONMIN CAGLAYANGIL LATE AFTERNOON JUNE 9 TO DELIVER YOUR MESSAGES(REFTEL). HIS DIRECTEUR DE CABINET AKBEL WAS ONLY OTHER PERSON PRESENT. AFTER HEARING YOUR MESSAGE, FONMIN PONDERED A BIT AND THEN DICTATED A REPLY IN TURKISH TO AKBEL WHO THEREUPON ORALLY TRANSLATED IT INTO ENGLISH FOR ME AT DICTATION SPEED.

2. BEGIN ORAL MESSAGE:S"I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE SECRETARY OF STATE VERY MUCH, PARTICULARLY FOR HIS MESSAGE. OUR MEMORIES OF OUR MEETING IN BRUSSELS WITH PRESIDENT FORD AND THE SECRETARY ARE ALSO VERY PRECIOUS. I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY DEEP THANKS AND APPRECIATION ON BEHALF OF MY PRIME MINISTER AS WELLSAS MYSELF FOR THE PRESIDENT'S AND SECRETARY KISSINGER'S CONSTRUCTIVE ATTITUDE.

"THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN DEMIREL AND CARAMANLIS HAS, IN OUR VIEW AS WELL, BEEN CONSTRUCTIVE AND EFFECTIVE. IT HAS DEEPENED EACH SIDE'S UNDERSTANDING OF THE OTHER AND
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PRACTICAL OUTCOMES HAVE ALSO EMERGED. IT WAS DECIDED

THAT APPRECIATION OF THIS PROGRESS SHOULD BE RECORDED AND EFFORTS SHOULD BE EXERTED TO REACH SOLUTIONS THROUGH MEETINGS AT MINISTERIAL LEVELS.

"THE ISSUE OF TERRITORY SHOULD CONSTITUTE THAT PART OF THE QUESTION WHICH HAS TO BE DEALT WITH AT THE VERY FINAL STAGE. THE SOLUTION OF OTHER IMPORTANT ISSUES, BESIDES THAT OF TERRITORY, THROUGH MUTUAL AGREEMENT, WOULD ENHANCE THE POSSIBILITIES OF REACHING AN AGREEMENT ON THE ISSUE OF TERRITORY. I THINK THAT OUR GREEK COLLEAGUES HAVE ALSO UNDERSTOOD AND ADOPTED THIS VIEW OF OURS.

"THERE ARE TWO SUBJECTS ON WHICH I HAVE TO SPEAK CLEARLY NOW. I HOPE YOU WILL UNDERSTAND ME. AS LONG AS THE ARMS EMBARGO IS IN EFFECT, THERE IS NOT REPEAT NOT MUCH WE CAN DO ON THE ISSUE OF TERRITORY. AN IMAGE TO THE EFFECT THAT TURKEY HAS FINALLY GIVEN IN TO THIS THREAT, OR THE EXPLOITATION OF SUCH A CLAIM, IN INTERNAL POLITICS, COULD IRREPARABLY DAMAGE TURKISH-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

"SECONDLY, UNLESS THERE IS AMELIORATION IN THE EMBARGO DECISION, THE POSSIBILITIES TO PREVENT COUNTER ACTION WILL NOW REPEAT NOW BE EXHAUSTED. I HOPE THAT DEVELOPMENTS ON THIS SUBJECT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED AS A SURPRISE. AS WE HAVE STATED TO YOU BEFORE, WE ARE DOING ALL WE CAN TO REMAIN MODERATE. END OF ORAL MESSAGE.

3. FONMIN ASKED IF I HAD ANY QUESTIONS ON FOREGOING. I ASKED HIM TO EXPAND A BIT ON THE "OTHER IMPORTANT ISSUES" HE MENTIONED IN HIS THIRD PARAGRAPH OF HIS ORAL MESSAGE. HE REPLIED THAT IF AGREEMENT COULD BE REACHED ON THE POWERS OF THE FUTURE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THIS WOULD BE HELPFUL. HE MENTIONED IN THIS CONNECTION SUCH ANCILLARY ISSUES AS PROVISION FOR A UNIFIED ECONOMY FOR THE ISLAND, DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION ABROAD, A SINGLE PENAL CODE, AND THE DEFENSE OF THE FEDERAL STATE. UP TO NOW, CONTINUED CAGLAYANGIL, THE GREEKS SAY THEY HAVE NOT ACCEPTED THE PRINCIPLE OF A FEDERAL STATE. CAGLAYANGIL FELT THIS STILL SHOULD NOT PREVENT DISCUSSION AS TO HOW AS "PURELY HYPOTHETICAL" FEDERAL STATE COULD BE CREATED. THE GREEKS COULD RESERVE THEIR POSITION
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ON THE PRINCIPLE WHILE SUCH A DISCUSSION WERE GOING FORWARD. CAGLAYANGIL CONCLUDED BY SAYING THAT ANY PROGRESS ON ISSUES SUCH AS THESE WOULD BE FACILITATING FACTORS ON THE PROBLEMS OF REFUGEES AND TERRITORY. IN PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, AS SOON AS THE TWO SIDES BEGIN TO DISCUSS THESE TWO LATTER ISSUES, THEY WERE IMMEDIATELY BLOCKED. THERE IS NO WAY TO MAKE PROGRESS IN THIS FASHION, HE DECLARED.
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